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JUDGMENT DAY





We'll be judged regardless of our
actions, so let us be exactly who we
are in our hearts.

-- JEAN GREY



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There's never a dull moment for the X-Men.

For the better part of the last year, the elected team of super heroes was saving this world and many others from certain doom.

Today, the mutants are putting their lives on the line to defend their permanent home in paradise on Krakoa.

The Eternals are attempting to eradicate mutants because of a secret mutant technology that can resurrect their dead.*

Mindlink is up.

Thoughts?

We can't afford to let them establish a beachhead.

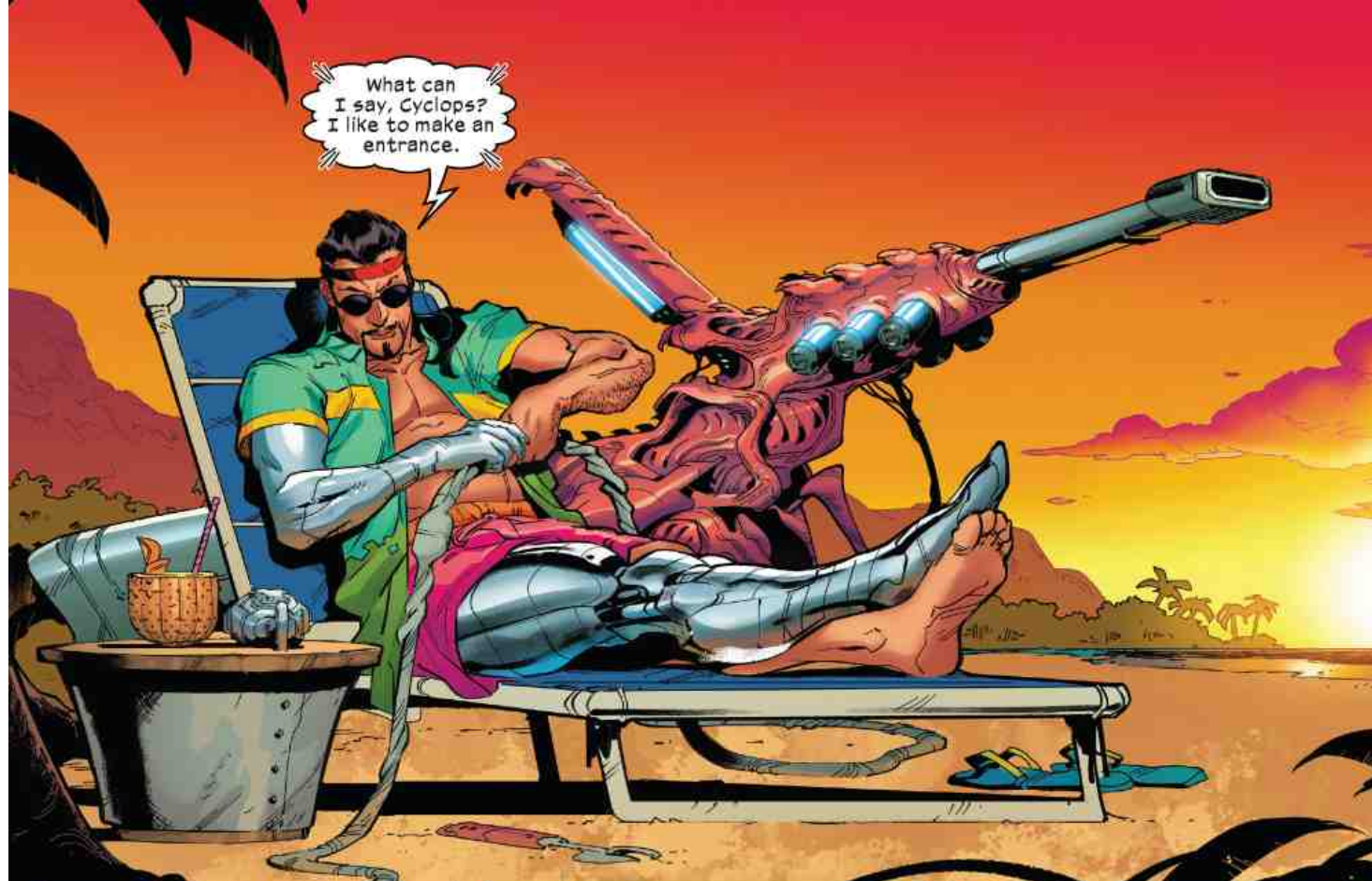
I don't want to find out the hard way that we can't resurrect the island.

*see A.X.E.: JUDGMENT DAY #1!
--Jordan "Day" White

Agreed all around.

You plan on suiting up for this one, Forge?







What exactly did we just do?



We're coating her with tiny machines. Eventually, they'll become crystalline, and hopefully in a few minutes, the big girl should be in hibernation.



One down and a boatload more to go, Forge.



Sorry, guys, I'm out of magic bullets.

Nanites don't grow on trees...yet...

...but I'm working on it.



We need to stem the flow of Eternals before they make landfall.

Ikaris... hear me.



I hear you, Jean Grey.

I forget how powerful you are to summon me into your mind.

It is true that we Eternals have...

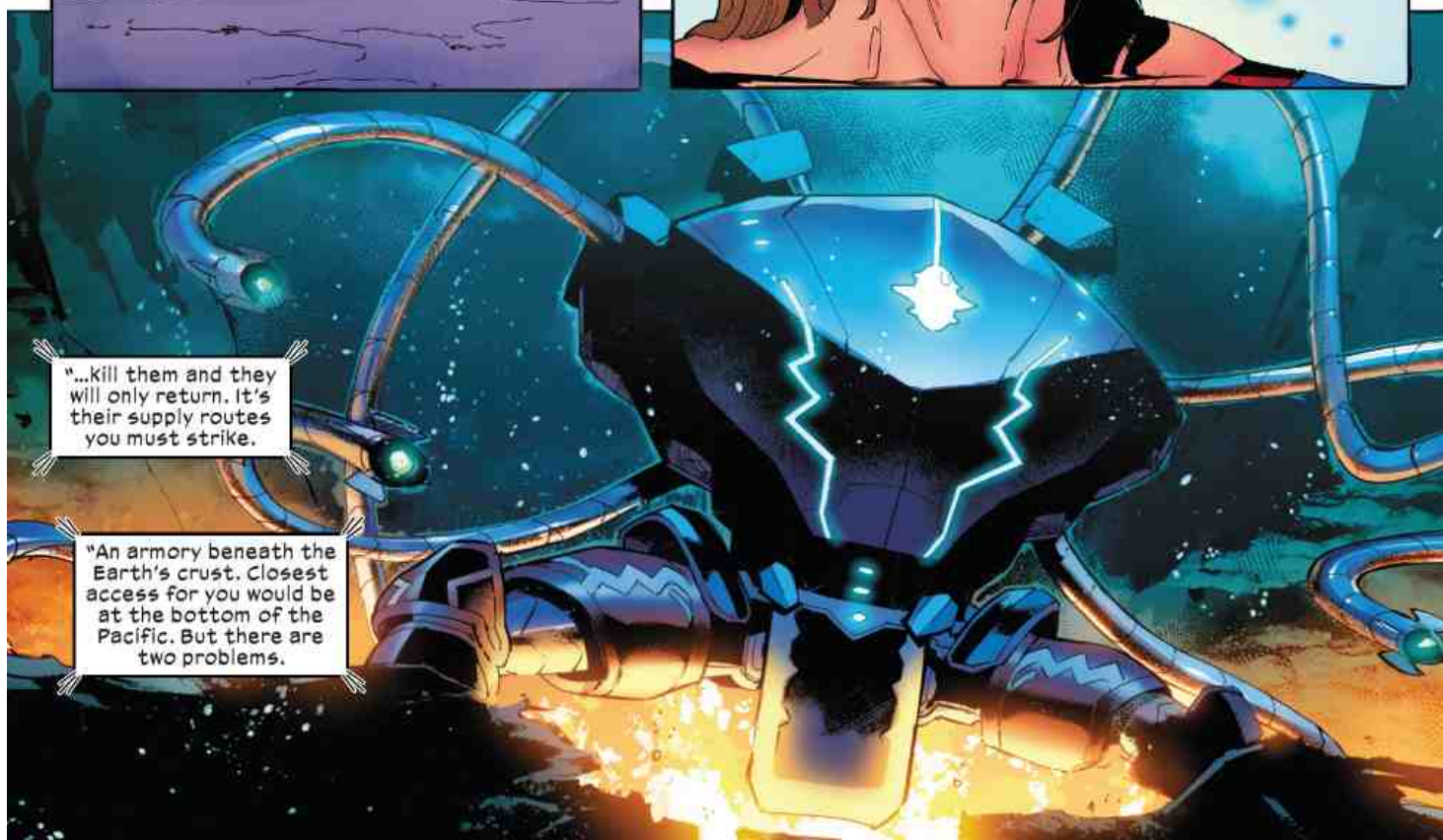


...overlooked mutantdom.

Ikaris. We must stop this mad war!



The Hex are powerful Eternals. They are deployed from the armories of our people, through subspace connections...



"...kill them and they will only return. It's their supply routes you must strike.

"An armory beneath the Earth's crust. Closest access for you would be at the bottom of the Pacific. But there are two problems.



"Firstly, their present power source is in the arsenal of Uranos, protected by the endless weapons and machines he stores therein."

"It may be a suicide mission for any who attempt it."



"Secondly, non-Eternals cannot access the vault, but I think I'll be able to help punch you in."



"Be ready, and I will call out to you when it is time to breach."

"Thank you, Ikaris."

"There is one more thing..."



"...kill no Eternals."

"We'll always do our best, but--"



"If you kill Eternals, I will not help you."

IC X-MEN

AN AX TO GRIND

The Eternals were created by the alien space gods known as the Celestials to protect the Earth. One of the Eternals' chief directive is to correct excess deviation -- and with the revelations of the secret of mutant resurrection, the mutants have just become their biggest targets.

Now the newly elected X-Men team of Jean Grey, Cyclops, Synch, Magik, Iceman, Forge, Havok and Firestar, must stand as the first line of defense for mutant survival.



[JEAN GREY]



[SYNCH]



[ICEMAN]



[HAVOK]



[IKARIS]



[CYCLOPS]



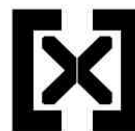
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[FORGE]



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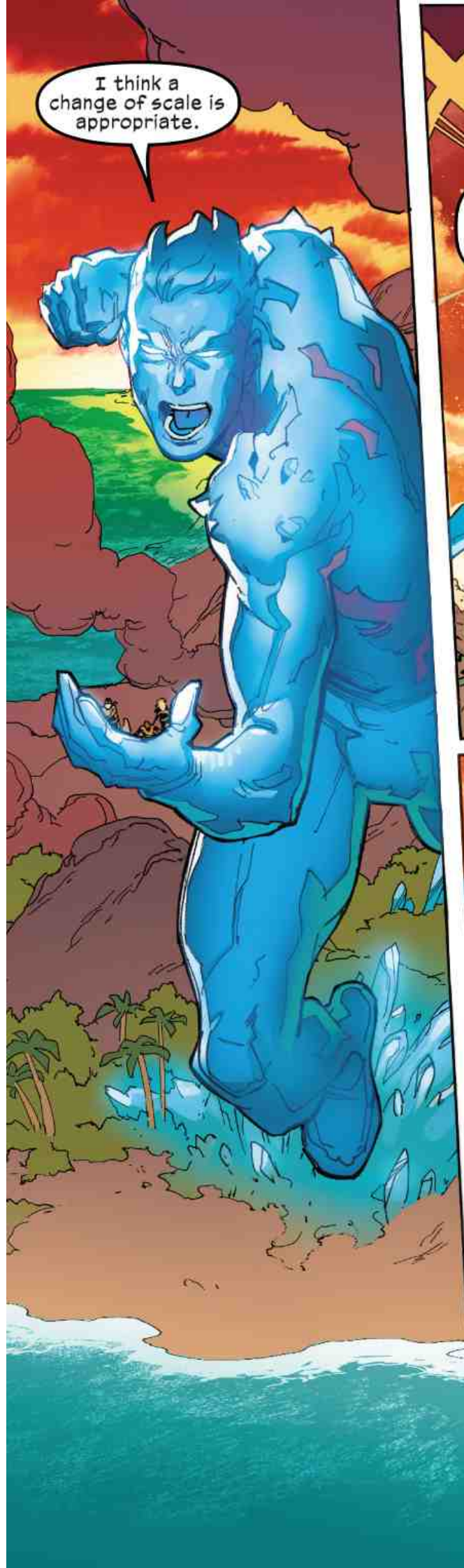
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Okay,
we got our
plan.

Jean and
I will hang back
with the Avengers
and play goalie
on Krakoa.

The rest
of you X-Men get
in position to breach
and cut the fuel lines
for the Hex.



I think a change of scale is appropriate.



And stay the hell off my island!



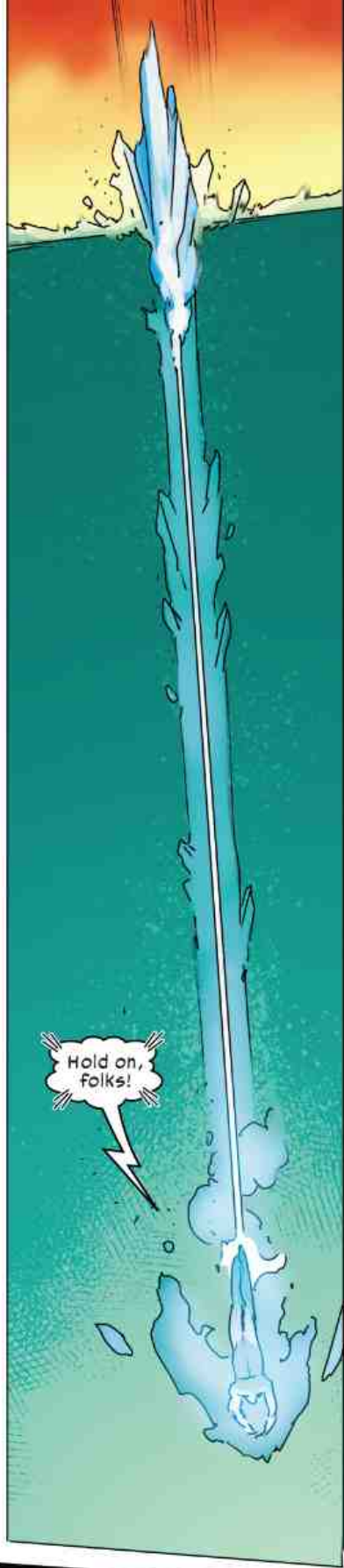
I'll need to know where to teleport us.

I'm synced to Forge and we've been noodling on that.

Iceman takes us down, and as we get close, Synch will use Jean's powers to get a picture of the inside. He drops that into your mind and--

--and I kick the doors off their hinges.

Take us down, Bobby!



Hold on, folks!



This is your captain speaking. Brace for turbulence. We've got one giant Eternal in pursuit.

Th-this might have been a terrible idea.



AAARGH!



Iceman, I'm going to sync with you and help make sure these walls hold for our trip to the bottom.

Much obliged.

The Avengers have submarines, why don't the X-Men have submarines?

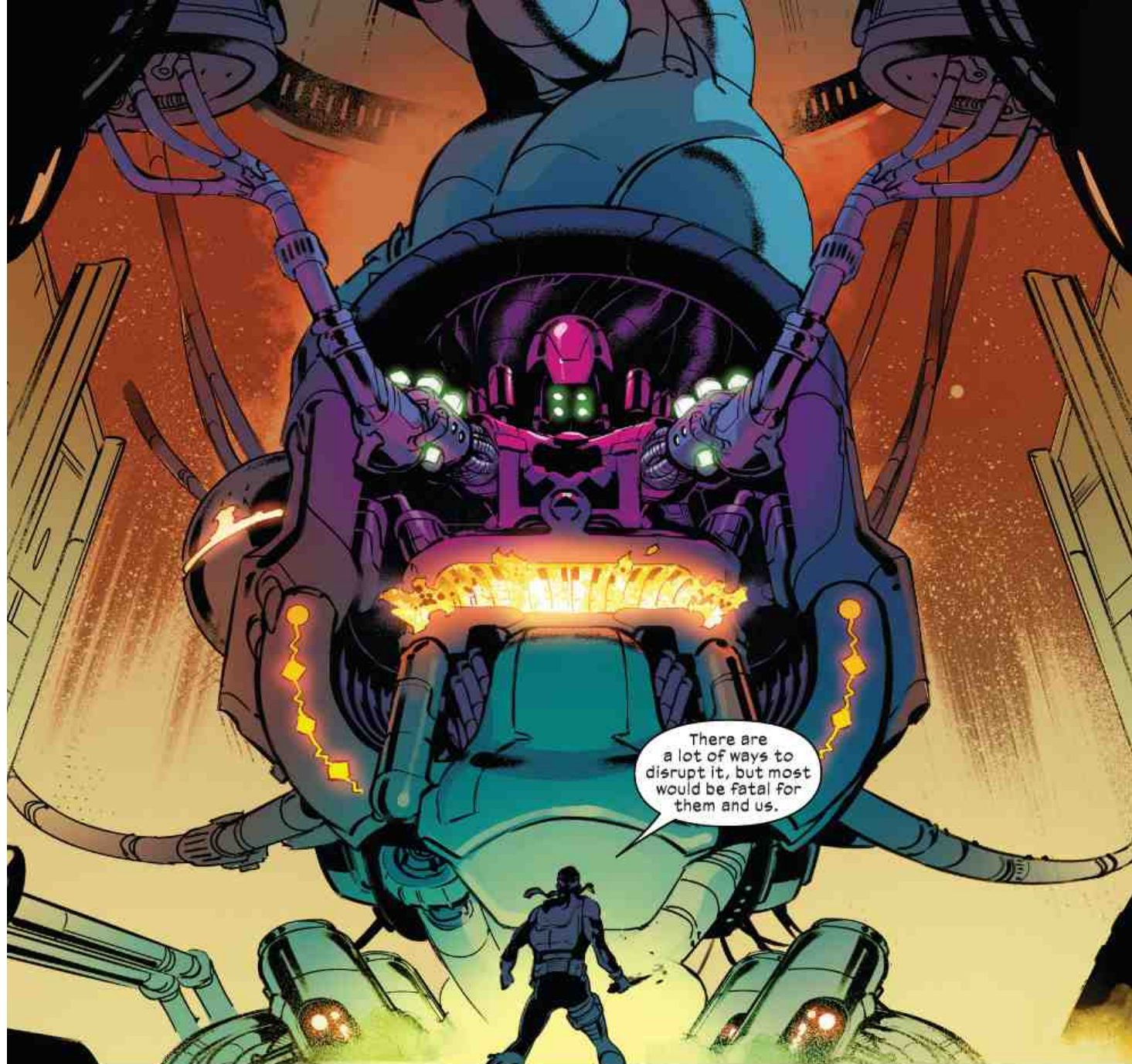




Okay, X-folks--
the longer we're
here, the more danger
we're in. Let's disrupt
the energy flow to
the Hex and
get out.

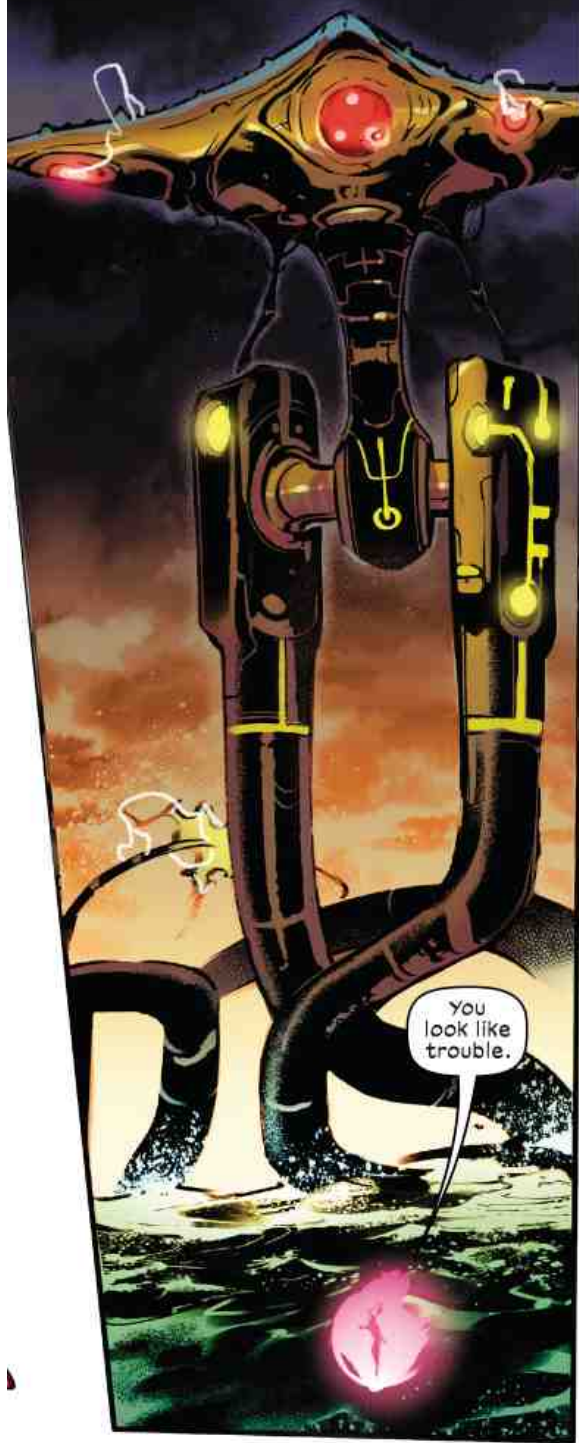
Wow.

This place
is operating
with a lot of
firepower...and
that takes a
massive
amount of
energy...





"...that Krakoa is going to need the X-Men."





We need a couple more minutes, Jean!

Hey, Firestar! Slag some of that ice. Steam the place up for some cover--let's try to be less sitting-ducky.



Got it!

It's just like taking orders from Captain America.



Okay, cool. We're taking less fire from drones.

It's getting much colder.

Hey, War Cap.

Are force protocols enabled? I don't want to go into the Hole.



Hell, I don't even know if the Five are dead or alive right now.

There's the only answer I'll give you.

I don't trust Ikaris.



Iceman, Synch--how's it going down there?



It's slower going than I thought. I don't even know if I could do it without Synch.

We're pouring it on.
Wait-- something's happening.



"We did it!"

SKREAK



"The engine is cold!"

Now, just to make this as impossible to undo as we can...every molecule in this armory needs to--
--freeze.



We're on our way back to you, Magik! Be ready for a quick exit.



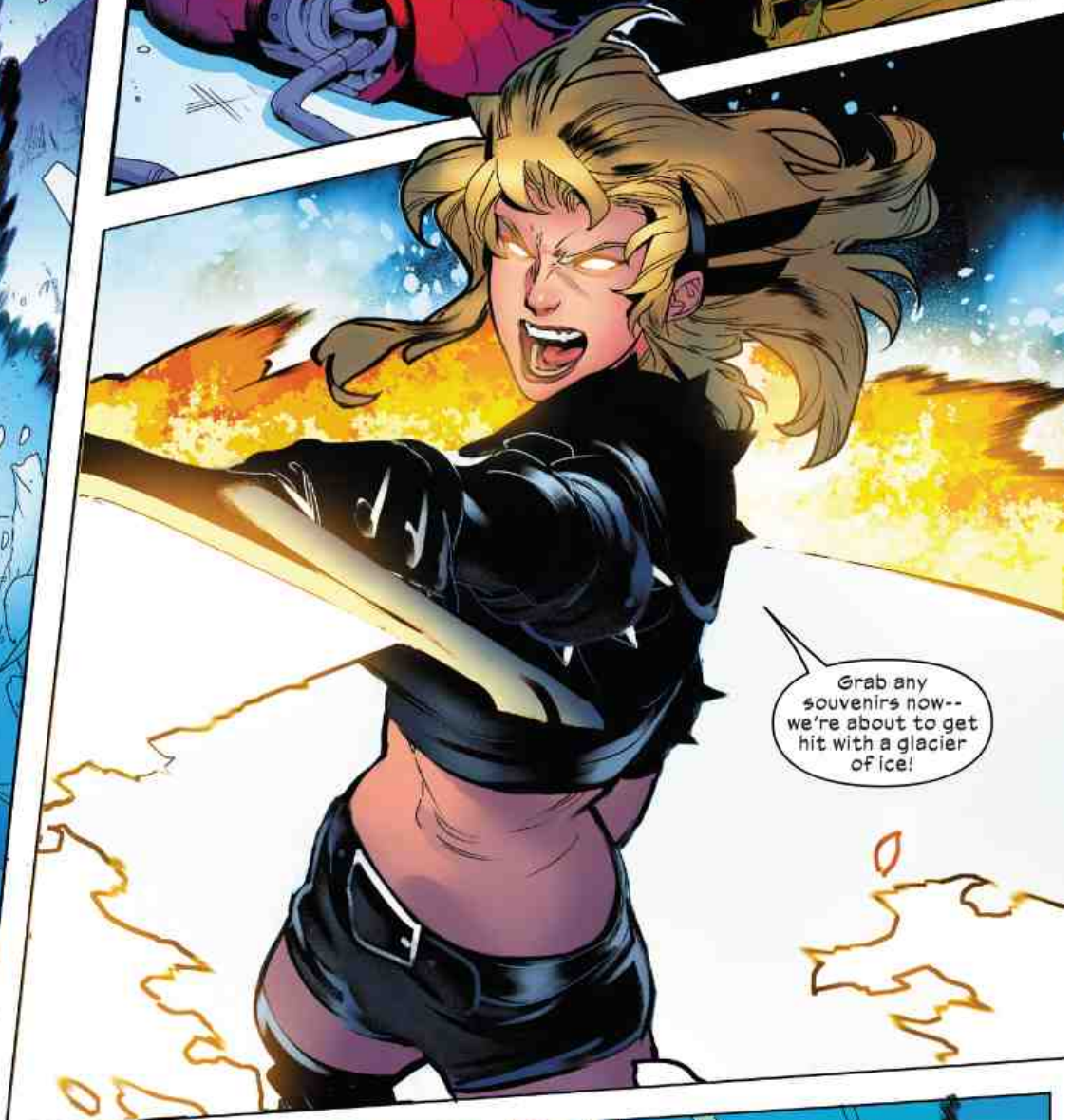
I haven't generated this much ice since we terraformed Mars.

Don't let Magneto hear you use that name.



We told Ikaris we wouldn't kill Eternals.

We didn't tell him we wouldn't loot some ancient technology, did we?



Grab any souvenirs now-- we're about to get hit with a glacier of ice!



Everybody go!



"Next stop: Limbo..."





Well, somebody should check to see if the Blob is alive. That part of my suggestion was good, right?

And if the Five are dead, we could raise a toast to them.



PEOPLE OF EARTH. LISTEN.

YOU ARE BICKERING CHILDREN.

THIS PLANET IS RUINED.

YOU HAVE ACTED WITH UNRELENTING UNKINDNESS TO ONE ANOTHER.

YOU LEAVE ME NO OPTION.



THIS IS YOUR JUDGMENT DAY.

You guys can see that too?

Yep.



Bummer. I was hoping this was a peyote flashback.

YOU HAVE 24 HOURS TO JUSTIFY YOURSELVES.

YOU WILL BE JUDGED INDIVIDUALLY.

YOU WILL BE JUDGED AS A COLLECTIVE.



IF THERE
IS MORE THAT IS
JUST THAN WICKED,
YOU WILL
LIVE.

BUT IF YOU ARE
FOUND LACKING,
THERE WILL BE **NO**
TOMORROW.

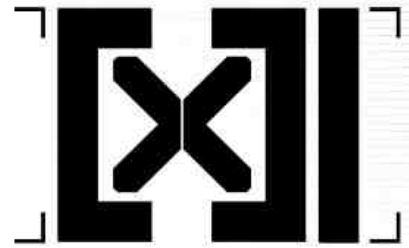
X-MEN...YOUR
ADJUDICATION HAS
BEGUN.

I've
got a few
ideas on ways to
neutralize a
Celestial.

That's the
Celestial at Avengers
Mountain!

It is?
Now I *really*
wanna try to
cap it.

Next: The Trial
of the X-Men!



To: Emma Frost
Care of Harris, Oppenheim and Gallagher Attorneys-At-Law
From: Bart Jones
Re: Angelica Jones

Dear Emma,

I couldn't imagine ever contacting you again after what you put my daughter through. When she needed a strong maternal figure, you filled that void, but you betrayed her. I have so many regrets, but trusting you with my daughter will always be at the top of the list.

To be perfectly honest. I'd moved past it all. I don't like ruminating on the past, but my heart skipped a beat when I saw a news alert with my daughter's photo on my phone from your big party.

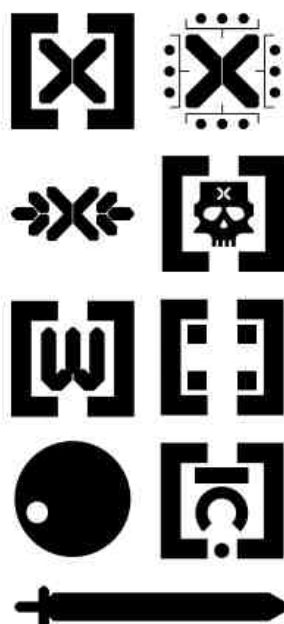
Angelica has been "elected" (drafted?) onto your X-Men, and I can only wonder what game are you playing now? Why have you advocated for her now?

If this is your way of trying to make amends, perhaps a simple apology would have sufficed. If you have ulterior motives, you should know that the cruelty heaped upon my daughter at your behest gave her an edge that I wish she did not have. If you are maneuvering her onto the stage to dump blood on her at the prom, just know that I will not forgive you, and neither will she.

She learned from a tender age just how mean the world could be, and I've taught her to stand up for herself, and if you have any ulterior motives this go-around, I ask you to ask yourself: "Hasn't she been through enough?"

Bart Jones

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"JUDGE, JURY AND
EXECUTIONER"



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